

Greetings from the SD Diabetes Prevention & Control Program (DPCP) and welcome to the October 4th edition of the "DPCP FYI". Each FYI is received by over 450 diabetes care professionals in and around South Dakota. If you have trouble with the links, the e-bulletin is also posted on the DPCP website at <http://diabetes.sd.gov>. If you have suggestions for improvement to the FYI or if I can otherwise be of assistance, please let me know. Colette

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American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) Welcomes Practice Articles

Is there a tool or resource that you use in your practice that other educators would find useful? Do you have a "pearl" of wisdom to share with your colleagues? How have you helped your patients achieve their behavior change goals? AADE is inviting practitioners to share your unique perspective by contributing an article to their newest publication, *AADE in Practice*. This quarterly newsletter is written *by* diabetes educators, *for* diabetes educators. It is intended to provide tools and strategies for the practical application of current research and best practices in diabetes education. Currently, they are welcoming articles relating to the following topics:

- **Tools for Improving Practice**—articles that introduce the reader to an original, useful tool developed for diabetes educators to use with patients or in their practice. [400-600 words]
- **Practice Pearls**—a short, timely, relevant piece of advice, tip or motivational message for practicing diabetes educators. [300 words or less]
- **Business Aspects of Education**—articles relating to the business realities of the profession. Potential topics include: reimbursement, marketing one's practice, proving the worth of diabetes educators, etc. [500 words or less]

The deadline for submissions is **November 9, 2007**. For more information, visit <http://www.diabeteseducator.org>.

SD Diabetes Coalition Partners' Conference- November 13th

The 2007 SD Diabetes Coalition Partners' Conference will be held on November 13, 2007 from 9:30 am to 2:30pm at the Cedar Shore Resort in Oacoma. Magda Peck, ScD will be the keynote speaker and will discuss the value and vision of partnerships to accomplish much for diabetes care in South Dakota.

Among Dr. Peck's many appointments, she is Professor and Associate Chair for Community Health at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) and in the newly established UNMC College of Public Health she is a Professor of Public Health. From 2000 - 2004, Dr. Peck was the founding Director of the UNMC/UNOmaha Graduate Program in Public Health, and she has served as Director of the Great Plains Public Health Leadership Institute since its inception in 2004.

Dr. Peck has worked with local, state, national, and international organizations to help communities provide better health care for women and children, and to champion the public's health. Her areas of expertise include public health planning and needs assessment, building community data use capacity, and translational research. To register, contact Melissa Magstadt at 886-1530 or magstadm@sanfordhealth.org.

ADA's Community Diabetes Education Forum-November 20th

The American Diabetes Association's Community Diabetes Education Forum will be held November 20th in Sioux Falls at the USD School of Medicine at 1400 W. 22nd Street, Suite 106 from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Cooking demonstrations, presentations by physicians on new developments in diabetes as well as information provided by local diabetes centers, clubs and other organizations will be available. The event is open to the public and admission is free. Pre-registration is helpful but not necessary. Register by contacting Ann Mader at 1-888-DIABETES ext.6885, Fax (605) 594-2073, or amader@diabetes.org. Further information is available at <http://diabetes.sd.gov>

American Assn of Diabetes Education (AADE) Webinar-December 5th

AADE is offering a webinar titled "The Forgotten "D" in Diabetes: Depression" on December 5th. For further information and to register, visit <http://www.diabeteseducator.org/ProfessionalResources/products/view.html?target=35&sub1=DEW&sub2=Live%20Webinars>. Multiple people can participate and receive continuing education (CE) credit at no extra charge provided they are using the same computer and phone line. Bring your coworkers together for the informative sessions. For those who don't have an internet connection, you can connect to the seminar by phone and follow a printed version of the presentation.

Spotlight on Partners-SD Public Broadcasting

SD Public Television is collaborating with the SD Diabetes Coalition on activities for November-Diabetes Awareness Month. One project, identified through the SD Diabetes State Plan 2007-2009 (available at <http://diabetes.sd.gov>), entailed developing 2 Public Service Announcements (PSAs) which will increase awareness. The first states that 1/3 of people with type 2 diabetes don't know they have it and if they have risk factors to see their medical provider. The other PSA discusses the importance of our eyes, mouth, heart and feet and to keep them healthy, people with diabetes need to keep in contact with their healthcare team. The PSAs have been sent to 9 television stations in SD with a letter from Dept of Health Secretary Doneen Hollingsworth asking for them to be run. All this without any expense to the Coalition. Another collaboration, also identified in the Plan, is the dedication of the November 15th episodes of "On Call"-a live physician-led discussion and "SD Focus"-a live panel discussion on diabetes and resources available to South Dakotans with diabetes. Further information about these programs is available at <http://www.sdpb.org/TV/index.asp>. Thank you SD Public Broadcasting.

Rural Women Needed for Chronic Illness Study

The Woman to Woman Project, a support network for rural women with chronic illness, is seeking volunteers to participate in a study group beginning in January, 2008. This projects seeks to enhance rural women's ability to manage chronic conditions and assess its effect on their quality of life. Women interested in participating must be able to use a computer, be between 35 and 65 years old, and be living with a chronic disease such as diabetes, arthritis, cancer, multiple sclerosis, or heart disease. Participants must reside in a rural area at least 25 miles outside of a town of 12,500 people or more, in or around a town of less than 12,500, or on a farm or ranch in South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming and eastern parts of Oregon and Washington. Women interested in enrolling can call (888) 375-1317 or email scudney@montana.edu. For more information, visit www.montana.edu/cweinert.

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